



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket: ATM-2216-1

Applicant : Wilfried JUD et al.  
Serial No. : 09/867,551  
Filed : 5/31/2001  
For : LIDS FOR CLOSING OFF CONTAINERS

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice Of Incomplete Non-provisional Application [Filed Under 37 CFR 1.53(b)] dated June 19, 2001, the applicant has the following information and material.

A copy of the Utility Patent Application Transmittal for this application shows that it is divisional of 09/461,513. A copy of the Utility Patent Application Transmittal is enclosed.

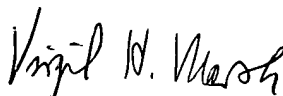
The Notice of Incomplete Non-Provisional Application stated that a complete specification as prescribed by 35 U.S.C. 112 is required (on the grounds that the specification was missing). A copy of the specification from Parent U.S.S.N. 09/461,313 is enclosed.

The Notice of Incomplete Non-Provisional Application stated that the declaration is missing and that a signed declaration for this application is required. Applicant disagrees that a signed declaration for this application is

required since the application is a divisional under U.S.C. 1.53(b). Enclosed is a copy of the executed declaration from prior U.S.S.N. 09/461,313.

If any fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account Number 06-1110. This form is submitted in duplicate for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,



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## FORMALITIES LETTER



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## NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

A filing date has NOT been accorded to the above-identified application papers for the reason(s) indicated below.

All of the items noted below and a newly executed oath or declaration covering the items must be submitted within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice, unless otherwise indicated, or proceedings on the application will be terminated (37 CFR 1.53(e)).

The filing date will be the date of receipt of all items required below, unless otherwise indicated. Any assertions that the item(s) required below were submitted, or are not necessary for a filing date, must be by way of petition directed to the attention of the Office of Petitions accompanied by the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h)). If the petition states that the application is entitled to a filing date, a request for a refund of the petition fee may be included in the petition.

- The specification is missing.
- The specification does not include at least one claim.  
*A complete specification as prescribed by 35 U.S.C. 112 is required.*

The required items noted below SHOULD be filed along with any items required above. The filing date of this nonprovisional application will be the date of receipt of the items required above.

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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Docket: ATM-2216-1

Applicant : Wilfried JUD  
Serial No. : 09/867,551 Prior Examiner: Vo  
Filed : May 31, 2001  
For : LIDS FOR CLOSING OFF CONTAINERS



TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The postcard receipt of the above-identified application indicated that a copy of the nine(9) page specification of the parent application was missing. (A copy of said postcard receipt is enclosed herewith). Therefor a copy of the specification from the parent application identified below is attached hereto.

Applicant: Wilfried JUD Serial No. 09/461,313

Filed: December 15, 1999

Title: LIDS FOR CLOSING OFF CONTAINERS

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Virgil H. Marsh".

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
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Sir: By placing your receiving date stamp hereon and mailing, kindly acknowledge receipt of:

Transmittal letter, copy of return receipt postcard and a copy of the specification from the parent application

- Applicant: Wilfried JUD
- Serial No. 09/867,551
- Filed: 5/31/2001

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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.	ATM-2216-1
First Inventor	Wilfried JUD
Title	LIDS FOR CLOSING OFF CONTAINERS
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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

- ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Specification [Total Pages **9**]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive title of the invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
- ☐ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets **2**]
- ☐ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages **2**]
  - ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
  - ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
  - ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(f)
- ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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- ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
- Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
  - ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
  - Specification Sequence Listing on:
    - ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies), or
    - ☐ paper
  - ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
- ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)
- ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☒ Copies of IDS Citations
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
- ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)
- ☐ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☐ Continuation ☒ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No. **09 461 513**

Prior application information

Examiner **Vo**

Group Art Unit **3727**

For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

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